CLAIMS

1. A computer-implemented method of displaying a document on a display device, comprising:

receiving a user input selecting a location in a document displayed in a display pane and requesting a show-me operation; and,

in response to the input:

displaying a visual reference mark indicating the selected location in the pane;

then smoothly scrolling the document and the reference mark in the pane until the selected location is at a target location in the pane; and

then removing the visual reference mark.

2. The method of claim 1 wherein the user input selects a location corresponding to a line of text.

3. The method of claim 1 wherein the user input selects a location corresponding to a graphic object.

4. The method of claim 1 wherein the user input selects a location corresponding to a video object.

5. A computer program product, tangibly stored on a computer-readable medium, for displaying a document on a display device, comprising instructions operable to cause a programmable processor to:

receive a user input selecting a location in a document displayed in a display pane and requesting a show-me operation; and,

in response to the input:

display a visual reference mark indicating the selected location in the pane;

then smoothly scroll the document and the reference mark in the pane until the selected location is at a target location in the pane; and

then remove the visual reference mark.

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6. The product of claim 5, further comprising instructions to:

receive a user input pointing to a text location of text in the document;

draw the reference mark as a reference line perpendicular to a scrolling direction and intersecting the text location; and

smoothly scroll the document and the reference line to the target location, the target location being close to a start edge of the pane.

7. The product of claim 6, wherein the target location is within two text lines of the start edge of the pane.

8. The product of claim 5, further comprising instructions to:

highlight a line of text at the selected location at about the time the location is selected, the highlighting being the reference mark.

9. The product of claim 5, further comprising instructions to:

highlight a line of text at the selected location at about the time the location is selected, the highlighting being supplemental to the reference mark; and

remove the highlighting no later than when the reference mark is removed.